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SUBJ: ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: AREA V: MISSING ARCHAEOLOGISTS

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(C) STATE 252475 (NOTAL), (D) MOSCOW 15290, (E) MOSCOW 15354,
(F) MOSCOW 15446

1. WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED PER REF A, EMBASSY CONTINUED EFFORTS TO
LOCATE ZORRO BRADLEY AND WILLIAM POWERS THROUGH INTOURIST ORGANIZATION.

INTOURIST WAS PROVIDED WITH BRADLEY/POWERS REFERENCE VOUCHER NUMBER
AT OPENING OF BUSINESS OCTOBER 29, IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT REF A BY
EMBASSY.

2. EMBASSY ALSO ATTEMPTED OBTAIN INFORMATION ON BRADLEY/POWERS FLIGHT

PLANS FROM AEROFLOT, WHICH, AS CORRECTLY HYPOTHESIZED IN PARA 3C, REF
A,
DOES NOT OPERATE AS DO OTHER INTERNATIONAL CARRIERS. SCIOFF WAS IN-
FORMED BY AEROFLOT REPRESENTATIVE THAT NO INFORMATION COULD BE
PROVIDED CONCERNING BRADLEY/POWERS TRAVEL VIA AEROFLOT. AEROFLOT
REPRESENTATIVE DID INFORM SCIOFF THAT AEROFLOT FLIGHT 255 DEPARTS
MOSCOW ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS ONLY. SUGGESTION PER PARA 3C, REF
A, THAT SCIOFF ATTEMPT MAKE CONTACT AT AIRPORT WITH BRADLEY
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AND POWERS BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, ON

AEROFLOT FLIGHT 255, THEREFORE IMPOSSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT.

3. INTOURIST CONTACTED SCIOFF AT HOME AT 2000 HOURS, OCTOBER 29, WITH INFORMATION THAT BRADELY/POWERS WHEREABOUTS HAD BEEN DETERMINED THROUGH INTOURIST REFERENCE VOUCHER NUMBER. BRADELY/POWERS REPORTEDLY

ARRIVED MOSCOW OCTOBER 25, AND REGISTERED AT HOTEL ROSSIYA, ROOM 121, NINTH FLOOR.

4. SCIOFF EVENING OF OCTOBER 29 ASCERTAINED THAT BRADELY AND POWERS HAD CHECKED OUT OF HOTEL ROSSIYA EARLY THAT MORNING.

5. FURTHER RECOURSE TO INTOURIST MORNING OF OCTOBER 30 PRODUCED CONFIRMED INFORMATION THAT BRADLEY AND POWERS HAD DEPARTED MOSCOW, WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29, AT 10:45 A.M., ON AEROFLOT FLIGHT 255.

6. REVIEW OF EMBASSY'S FRUITLESS EFFORTS TO LOCATE ZORRO BRADLEY AND WILLIAM POWERS, PER MOSCOW REFTELS AND ABOVE, CONVEYS CLEAR PICTURE OF DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN CONTACTING VISITORS TO SOVIET UNION FOR WHOM ACCURATE INFORMATION RE TRAVEL PLANS IS NOT AVAILBLE.

7. EMBASSY WISHES REITERATE ITS STANDING REQUEST (1) THAT SCIENCE VISITORS TO USSR CONTACT EMBASSY OR CONSULATE GENERAL, LENINGRAD, BY TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON, ON FIRST POSSIBLE WORKING DAY AFTER ARRIVAL IN

USSR, TO PRVIDE ACCURATE ITINERARY INFORMATION AND (2) THAT EMBASSY AND/OR CONSULATE GENERAL BE INFORMED OF PROSPECTIVE SCIENCE VISITOR'S ETA AND USSR ITINERARY BEFORE VISITOR'S ARRIVAL.

8. IN VIEW OF EFFORTS EXPENDED IN QUEST FOR MISSING ARCHAEOLOGISTS, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF DATE BRADLEY/POWERS DID, IN FACT, ARRIVE IN MOSCOW.
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